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**Pipeline and Hazardous  
Materials Safety Administration**

DOT-SP20306

**EXPIRATION DATE: 2018-07-31**

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR § 107.109)

1. GRANTEE: Avantor Performance Materials International, Inc.  
Center Valley, PA
2. PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:
  - a. This special permit authorizes the transportation in commerce of nitric acid in fiberboard outer packagings without the use of intermediate packaging or absorbent material. This special permit provides no relief from the Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR) other than as specifically stated herein. The most recent revision supersedes all previous revisions.
  - b. The safety analyses performed in the development of this special permit only considered the hazards and risks associated with the transportation in commerce.
  - c. No party status will be granted to this special permit.
3. REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED: 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED: 49 CFR § 173.158(e) in that intermediate packaging and absorbent cushioning are not required.
5. BASIS: This special permit is based on the application of Avantor Performance Materials International, Inc. dated August 10, 2016 submitted in accordance with § 107.105 and the public proceeding thereon.

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6. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR 172.101):

Hazardous Materials Description			
Proper Shipping Name	Hazard Class/ Division	Identi- fication Number	Packing Group
Nitric acid <i>other than red fuming, with at least 65 percent, but not more than 70 percent nitric acid</i>	8, 5.1	UN2031	II
Nitric acid <i>other than red fuming, with more than 20 percent, and less than 65 percent nitric acid</i>	8	UN2031	II
Nitric acid <i>other than red fuming, with not more than 20 percent nitric acid</i>	8	UN2031	II

7. SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:a. PACKAGING -

(1) Inner packaging - Prescribed inner packagings are 500 ml and 2.5 l bottles coated with a hot dip plastisol, blended high dispersion polyvinylchloride (PVC) with a minimum thickness of 0.030 inches.

(2) Outer packaging - Prescribed outer packagings are UN4G fiberboard boxes containing no more than six inner bottles meeting the specifications provided with the application on file with the Office of Hazardous Materials Approvals and Permits (OHMAP).

(3) In addition to the requirements of the HMR, the packages must be capable of passing ISTA 3A testing as demonstrated in Purple Diamond Test Report # 161368A on file with the Approval and Permits Division.

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

a. A person who is not a holder of this special permit who receives a package covered by this special permit may

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reoffer it for transportation provided no modification or change is made to the package or its contents and it is reoffered for transportation in conformance with this special permit and the HMR.

b. A current copy of this special permit must be maintained at each facility where the package is offered or reoffered for transportation.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED: Motor vehicle.
10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS: A current copy of this special permit must be carried aboard each motor vehicle used to transport packages covered by this special permit.
11. COMPLIANCE: Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this special permit and penalties prescribed by the Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. 5101 et seq:
  - o All terms and conditions prescribed in this special permit and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
  - o Persons operating under the terms of this special permit must comply with the security plan requirement in Subpart I of Part 172 of the HMR, when applicable.
  - o Registration required by § 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in § 171.8, who performs a function subject to this special permit must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this special permit in addition to the training required by §§ 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this special permit, including display of its number, when this special permit has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

Under Title VII of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)—"The Hazardous Materials Safety and Security Reauthorization Act of 2005" (Pub. L. 109-59), 119 Stat. 1144 (August 10, 2005), amended the Federal hazardous materials transportation law by changing the term

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"exemption" to "special permit" and authorizes a special permit to be granted up to two years for new special permits and up to four years for renewals.

12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS: Shipments or operations conducted under this special permit are subject to the Hazardous Materials Incident Reporting requirements specified in 49 CFR §§ 171.15 - Immediate notice of certain hazardous materials incidents, and 171.16 - Detailed hazardous materials incident reports. In addition, the grantee(s) of this special permit must notify the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, in writing, of any incident involving a package, shipment or operation conducted under terms of this special permit.

Issued in Washington, D.C.:



for William Schoonover  
Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, East Building PHH-30, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast, Washington, D.C. 20590.

Copies of this special permit may be obtained by accessing the Hazardous Materials Safety Homepage at [http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp\\_app/special\\_permits/spec\\_perm\\_index.htm](http://hazmat.dot.gov/sp_app/special_permits/spec_perm_index.htm). Photo reproductions and legible reductions of this special permit are permitted. Any alteration of this special permit is prohibited.

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